

EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

No, they are not killed.

The moon will be right next week to plant potatoes.

The new narcotic law goes into effect tomorrow.

Nature is preparing to cover the bare limbs, style or no style.

Alabama has a bill pending to put a bounty of 10 cents a head on buzzards killed.

The Eugenic marriage bill has received its final knockout in the Indiana House.

The Courier-Journal's cheap rate expires today, but you can still get the Kentuckian for \$2.

Prof. B. E. Thom, of Trigg county, is announced as a Democratic candidate for the State Senate.

Petrograd says Germany has greatly exaggerated the recent victory in Prussia and that the real fight is "only now beginning."

Jack Johnson is in Havana and refuses to go to Mexico to fight Jess Willard Mar. 6. He claims to be willing to fight in Cuba.

Denny Smith and Jas. B. Allensworth are to open their campaign for commonwealth's attorney at the Court House at one o'clock Monday.

Senator Camden has been offered and has refused the presidency of the new State organization to be formed by the tobacco growers of Kentucky.

Duncan Stone, an express messenger, was killed at his home in Bowling Green by the accidental discharge of a revolver which his wife was handing to him.

Starling L. Marshall, of Henderson, was unanimously elected president of the State Farmers' Institute, in session in that city. The Institute closed Thursday.

Hon. Roy Baker has withdrawn from the race for Circuit Judge in the Henderson district leaving S. V. Dixon and J. L. Dorsey, both of Henderson, the only candidates.

J. S. Ogden, of Ashland, was chosen president of the Kentucky State Hardware and Stove Dealers' Association, in session at Lexington. The next annual meeting will be held in Louisville.

France and England have served notice on the Governor of German East Africa of a naval blockade beginning February 28th. Four days notice will be allowed neutral ships to quit the blockade zone.

Power of the states to censor motion picture films was recognized Wednesday by the supreme court in upholding the constitutionality of the Ohio motion picture censor law. In another decision the court upheld the validity of the Kansas motion picture censor law.

The Senate passed the Post Office Appropriation Bill as it came from the House, carrying approximately \$323,000,000, and retaining the provision to pay carriers on standard rural routes \$1,200 a year. Democratic leaders in the Senate concede that there is little hope for any legislation outside the appropriation bills, and this opinion extends to the Rivers and Harbors Bill.

The list of 48 Governors published today shows that good old English names are distributed all over the country, in striking contrast with the new fangled names that are nowadays attached to women. There are 4 each of George, Charles and James, 3 Johns and 2 each of Henry, Samuel, Frank and William, these eight names accounting for half of the whole number. There are no Smiths, Joneses or Browns among the Governors this time.

ROAD TALK
EVERYWHERE

People of Christian County Are Determined To Have Good Roads.

PROPOSED PRINCETON PIKE.

Big Rally At The Court House Tuesday Awaited With Interest.

Several of the county officials have been meeting the people along the Princeton road in an effort to induce them to actively co-operate in building the proposed turnpike to the county line. Committees have been appointed to canvass the territory and it is believed that everybody will lend a hand in building the road, by giving contributions to supplement the public appropriation. The proposed pike will be 16 miles long, including a section of old road to be rebuilt. The state has been asked to assist in building the road, under the new law.

Good reports are coming in from all parts of the county of work done with split log drags. In some places they have been used to repair the pikes where they had been cut up by heavy hauling. Engineer Dillman has recently visited the Red Hill section of the county and found many drags had been used in that section and the road from Crofton for 17 miles was in fine condition. All of the work had been done by farmers along the road.

Mr. Dillman is having a supply of split log drags made in the city and will be able to supply them to all farmers who will agree to use them.

The Road Rally next Tuesday is expected to be a rousing meeting and great enthusiasm is expected to result. Holland Garnett, the new president of the Good Roads Association, is proving to be an ideal officer, full of zeal, enthusiasm and sound ideas on getting the roads worked.

40 HALED
INTO COURT

For Failing To Obey The City Sanitary Ordinance of Hopkinsville.

Sanitary Officer W. R. Crawley is again hot after the violators of the ordinance requiring sanitary assessments to be paid quarterly. The next quarters dues are due March 1st and those who do not pay promptly are liable to have trouble. About 40 persons have been summoned into court since the law went into effect.

MOVED TO MARION

Walter Faulkner Locates Temporarily in Crittenden.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faulkner have moved to Marion, Ky., where they will reside at least for the rest of the year. Mr. Faulkner, who is traveling for a Cincinnati house, has been assigned new territory, embracing several counties in Western Kentucky, and he moved to Crittenden county in order to have his headquarters more centrally located. During the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner from this city their residence on West 17th street will be occupied by the family of their son-in-law, Mr. Albert Lindsay.

Racing In Texas.

A bill providing for horse racing in Texas under the pari-mutuel betting system has been passed in the upper branch of the Texas Legislature and will go before the House.

Methodist Meeting.

A revival meeting will begin at Highland Chapel Monday night, conducted by Rev. Frank Bunch and T. R. O'Bryan.

TOP PRICE
TOBACCO

Todd County Crop Brings \$12 On The Loose Floor This Week.

PRICES SHOW MORE STRENGTH

Receipts At The Factories Are Greatest of Any Week This Season.

This has been the banner week in tobacco receipts on the loose floors amounting to 70,000 pounds, the average price being \$8.104. This exceeded the receipts last week and the price was a shade better on an average. Some of the best sales of the season were made.

The Hancock Warehouse Co., sold for Butler & Stokes, of Todd county, a crop of tobacco at \$12 for leaf, \$8.50 for seconds and \$1.50 for lugs. This sale on leaf is the top price received.

The Regie Factory is having an immense rush this week, long lines of wagons filling the lot and approaches to the factory all day long waiting to be unloaded. It is estimated that 1,500,000 lbs. sold privately has been delivered this week and that the receipts will approximate 2,500,000 pounds.

Not only are receipts heavy, but the market shows surprising strength in contrast to the reports from Louisville and Owensboro.

There is growing uneasiness in Berlin over Italy's attitude. A knock at Austria's back door just now would be a shock rivaling the recent earthquake.

ORATORICAL
CHAMPIONS

Competed For Championship Honors at The Tabernacle Last Night.

DECISION WAS NOT KNOWN

At The Hour of Closing The Forms For To-day's Paper.

The Western Kentucky Oratorical Contest was in progress last night at the Tabernacle when the Kentuckian went to press.

Young orators from seven high schools were contending for the \$20 gold medal, given annually to the best speaker. Their subjects were as follows:

Paducah—Thomas Corbitt, "The Dawn of a New Era."

Madisonville—S. V. Rodgers, "The American Child."

Owensboro—Ernest Ford, "Duties to Our Country."

Henderson—Vernon Lynn, "The Modern Unrest."

Princeton—Lee Beck, "Motherhood."

Hopkinsville—Edward Dabney, "The Spirit of Conquest."

Dawson—Ray Morris, "Our Nation."

The Princeton delegation was the first to arrive, some coming in the forenoon. Owensboro, Henderson and Madisonville came on the afternoon train. Sections of seats in front of the stand were provided for the visiting pupils.

Thomas Underwood presided over the meeting, introducing the speakers. The judges were Mr. J. C. Cheek, of Fulton, Ky.; Mr. M. M. Faughender, of Mayfield, Ky.; and Mr. Carter Alexander, of Nashville, Tenn.

A reception at the Avalon and a dance at Hotel Latham followed the contest.

PREVIOUS WINNERS.

1908—Jennings, Madisonville.

1909—Towens.

1910—Miss Stella Anderson, Paducah.

1911—Owensboro.

1912—Owensboro.

1913—Abtitt, Hopkinsville.

1914—Moseley.

S. C. PUCKETT
TAKES CHARGE

As Agricultural Agent of The County on March First.

ELECTED BY C. C. C. I. ASS'N.

Judge W. T. Fowler Chosen President To Succeed Gordon Nelson.

At a meeting of the Christian County Crop Improvement Association held Thursday, the resignation of President B. G. Nelson was accepted and Judge W. T. Fowler was elected to succeed him. At the same meeting the association elected Mr. S. C. Puckett as Agricultural agent for Christian county to succeed Mr. Richardson, who recently was transferred to Boyd county.

Mr. Puckett is a young man under 30, a big husky young fellow who graduated at the head of his class in the agricultural department of the State University in 1913. His first employment was on one of the big 1,500 acre farms of the Heintz Pickle Co., and for the last year he has been doing field work in agronomy for the State Agricultural bureau.

Mr. Puckett's home is at Hodgenville, Ky., and he comes highly recommended as a progressive, wide-awake young man, thoroughly equipped for the work he will have to do as agricultural agent for one of the leading counties in the state. He is already in the city and will enter upon his duties next Monday, March 1st.

ARE NOT IN
BUILDING

Postoffice Transfer Hung Up On Account of The Fixtures.

ARE EXPECTED EVERY DAY.

Everything In Readiness To Move As Soon As The Lights Are In.

Although Postmaster Williamson expected to move into the new government building on the 24th, the change has not yet been made. The delay is caused by an unexplained delay in the arrival of the electrical fixtures. They have been looked for every day, but until they come the office cannot be occupied. Everything is in readiness to make a quick transfer and the move will be made just as soon as the obstacle is removed.

There is also a persistent rumor that a new postmaster will be appointed before March 4th.

IMPERATOR

Pictured Heroic Size By Artist W. R. Bowles.

W. R. Bowles has just turned out a lot of large size photographs of John H. Williams' herd of Duroc Jersey Swine. The picture of "Imperator" is on a card 15 by 17 inches and shows up to great advantage this King of Durocs in the State of Kentucky. He weighed when taken 1,014 pounds, as a senior yearling. There are a dozen or more other pictures of Mr. Williams' stock, all gotten up in Bowles' best style.

Paducah To Borrow.

A sum amounting to between \$75,000 and \$100,000 will be borrowed from the St. Louis Reserve bank by the city of Paducah, to be used to tide over the current expenses of the city until the first half of the year's taxes become due June 1.

FORTS REDUCED
BY WARSHIPS

Allied Fleet's Bombardment Opens Entrance to The Straits.

CONSIDER AMERICAN NOTE.

Germans Renew Drive on Warsaw From The Northwest.

London, Feb. 26.—All the forts at the entrance of the Dardanelles, have been reduced by the allied fleet. This announcement was made officially.

The United States has suggested informally to Great Britain and Germany that in the interests of humanity and the safeguarding of legitimate commerce all mines be removed from the high seas except those directly necessary for the protection of coast defenses and harbors.

The suggestion, along with proposals designed to obtain Great Britain's acquiescence in a plan to permit distribution of foodstuffs to the civilian population of Germany and bring about cessation of the German submarine warfare on merchant ships, has been submitted by England to her allies for consideration. No intimation as to the official attitude towards it has been obtained.

Press and public, however, on the supposition that President Wilson has suggested that Great Britain not carry out her threat to place an embargo on foodstuffs for Germany, and that, in return, Germany should not enforce her submarine blockade against the British Isles already have expressed their disapproval of acceptance of such a proposition.

While eight British ships have been destroyed in the week that the blockade has been in force, it is pointed out that they are for the most part small vessels and that most of them, instead of having food for this country, either were in ballast of carrying coal or other freight for neutral countries.

It is believed here, also, that the destruction of neutral ships and cargoes will embroil Germany with neutral countries, and that in the long run the losses the allies suffer will be more than offset by the anger aroused on the part of the neutrals and the possible refusal of countries, such as Norway, to allow goods to be shipped from their ports to Germany.

This and other diplomatic questions, such as the possible entry of Italy and Rumania into the war, which again is being discussed, have largely overshadowed news from the battle fields, which in military circles is considered of paramount importance. Military experts are keeping their eyes on operations along the eastern front, where battles of immense magnitude are developing.

The armies in the west are confining themselves to a bombardment of the German positions along the coast and to offensive operations in the Champagne, the Argonne, on the heights of the Meuse and in the Vosges, where on the higher ground, they are not so seriously affected by the thaw.

There has been further contact between the Russians and the Turks in the Caucasus, where both claim to have been successful.

Quarles-Mayes.

E. B. Quarles, a farmer residing a few miles east of the city, and Miss Cora Eunice Mayes, of this city, were married at Crofton Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. J. P. Cleaver. The bride is a daughter of Mr. C. L. Mayes and has been teaching in the county schools for some time.

Parsons-Gibson.

Lonnie W. Parsons, of the Owl country, and Miss Verna Gibson, daughter of Mr. George Gibson, of Todd county, were married in the County Judge's office Wednesday. Judge Knight performed the ceremony. The bride is only fourteen years of age.

Chitchat.

GARY—George Gary is getting pretty well acquainted with his new house, one of the finest in town, but it still lacks a few things. He is preparing to equip it with a "Gift Book Case" to hold books that have been given to him or that may hereafter be donated. The idea is a novel one that Mr. Gary originated and when worked out, every book will be a reminder of a friend. He has recently become a Sunday school teacher and is wondering if somebody will give him a copy of Peloubet's Notes.

WILSON—Rev. Frank Wilson, who lives near Caledonia, has gone into the poultry business on a large scale and has 300 laying henshelling out eggs by the bushel. Most of them are Leghorns and the young chicks are being hatched in incubators. Mr. Wilson is pastor of the West Union Baptist church at Gracely.

DAVISON—W. S. Davison keeps on telling his wonderful stories about the laying qualities of his Buff Orpington hens. The statement he made yesterday with a perfectly straight face was that 25 out of his 27 hens laid at least one egg apiece the day before. He thinks there are two kinds of chickens, Buff Orpingtons and Some Others.

HOWELL—Every now and then Col. Bill Howell blows into town from his farm in the edge of Trigg and gives out more political dope than can be obtained from any other source. He says there are only two men between Caledonia and Cadiz who are not for his candidature for Governor.

MOORE—Eld. T. D. Moore, the leading breeder of Cornish Indians south of the Ohio river, has issued his 1915 catalogue of matings and is out for business bigger than ever this year, selling his best eggs at \$1 each. The people of Hopkinsville do not realize the little gold mine that Bro. Moore is operating right in their midst. He has shipped stock and eggs all over the United States and to many foreign countries.

BEN WINFREE
DISLOCATES ARM

White Doing a Dance at The Elks' Minstrels Wednesday Night.

Just as everybody expected the minstrel show given by the Elks under the direction of Gov. Bowen, was the drawing card of the season. The show was a financial success as well, bringing in something over \$500. The program, with which the public had been made familiar, was carried out with but one change.

Early in the evening Ben Winfree was hurt and Tot Kuykendall took his place in an important role without previous preparation. Capt. Winfree had just sung his song "You've Got To Rag It" and was doing a dance in response to an encore when he slipped and fell, dislocating an arm. He recovered his feet and pluckily finished the dance before receiving surgical attention, but was unable to appear again.

The show closed with a roaring farce "The Recruiting Station," in which the most luminous stars were Gov. Bowen, Claude Clark, Tot Kuykendall, Alvan Clark and Harry Lebkuecher.

Mrs. Lander Entertains.

Mrs. John H. Lander gave a "Rook" party at her home in Gracely last Saturday night, complimentary to her visitor, Miss Grace McReynolds, of Julien. Elegant refreshments were served and the social event proved a most enjoyable one.

J. D. Watson Ill.

J. D. Watson, city clerk, of Mayfield, has been seriously ill with locked bowels for several days, but is slightly improved. It was at first thought necessary to remove him to Paducah for an operation.